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NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

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For the YOROHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

HE Undermentioned INSURANCE

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.

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NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.

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THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1807. [1920]
THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM-

WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TOTICE is hereby given that the THIR-

TEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL

MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the RESISTERED

OFFICES of the COMPANY, 38 and 40, Queen's

Road Central, TO-MORROW, the 31st day of December, at Noov, for the purpose of receiving

the Report of the General Managers, together

with a Statement of Accounts for the year end-

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

will be CLOSED from the 25th to 31st instant,

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

TN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles

approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 3rd January, 1898, issue INTEREST

WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corpora-

tion, the same being at the Rate of to per cent.

per annum on the paid-up Capital of the Office

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED,

will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AND GREAT

NORTHERN TELEGRAPH

COMPANIE 4.

TO EFERRING to the Companies' Circular of

1 24th June last, senders of felegrams are

hereby advised that from the 1st January, 1898,

until further notice, the currency equivalent of the

franches been fixed at \$0.40, at which rate all charges on international telegrams from China will be collected from said date.

Tarriff cards will be distributed as soon as

they are received from the Head Offices. In the meantime the new charges can be ascer-

sained on reference to our Circular of date, or to

Hongkong, 20th December, 1807. [1927

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION No. 171.

WEST RIVER; BOANDING CERTIFICATE.

A LL VESSELS Teading from Hongrows A to the WEST RIVER are REQUIRED.

for purposes of identification, to comply with the rule kitherio to force for steam launches,

vis: they must call at elther Capsulmoon or

Changehow Customs station and undergo inspection or search by the Customs Officer, who will thereupon provide them with a BOARD. ING CERTIFICATE to show that this regulation has been complied with. This Certificate is to badelivered up to the Customs at Malowchow

Manager-in-China.

Commissioner of Customs.

the Companies' offices.
(Sd.) F. von DER PFORDTEN.

REVISION OF CURRENCY TARIFFS.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1897.

of Association the General Agents, with

Hongkong, 30th December, 1897.

SOCIETY OF

OFFICES will be CLOSED for the

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,

Hongkong, 28th December, 1897.

the 1st January, 1808.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

UNION INSURANCE

CANTON, LD.

General Agents,

N. J. EDE.

W. H. RAY,

Secretary,

W. H. PERCIVAL

Secretary,

Agents.

J. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary,

W. H. T. DAVIS,

both days inclusive.

for the year 1807.

Instant, both days lectusive.

Acting Manager.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers,

T.H. WHITEHEAD,

G. W. F. PLAYFAIR,

JOHN THURBURN,

CHANTREY INCHBALD,

Manager,

S. CHOH,

Manager, Hongkong.

Manager, Hongkong.

T. JACKSON.

Chief Manager,

Chief Manager.

CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business

on SATURDAY, the 1st January, 1898.

CORPORATION.

LIMITED,"

AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA

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Banks.

LTONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL\$10,000,000 RESERVE FUND 7,000,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPTORS...\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS: ST. C. MICHARISEN, Esq. -- Chairman. Hon. J. J. BELL-INVING.—Deputy Chairman. C. Bourmann, Esq. G. D. Böning, Esq.: A. J. Raymond, Esq. G. B. Dodwell, Esq. R. L. Richardson, Esq.

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Sharghal-J. P. WADE GARD'NER, Esq. NDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED. HONGKONG-INTEREST ALLOWED: On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 3 months, 2} per Cent, per Annum. For 6 months, 31 per Cent. per Annum. For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1897. HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 33 PER

CENT. per annum: Depositors may transfer at their optionbalances of \$100 or more to the Honoxong AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT, per annum.

> For the Hongkong and Shanghal BANKING CORPORATION. T. JACKSON. Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

Paid up Capital 324.374 HEAD OFFICE:-HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:-D. Gilles, Esq. ChowTungShang,Esq. J. T. Lauts, Esq.

Chan Kit Shan, Esq. Kwan Hol Chuen, Esq. Chief Manager, G. W. F. PLAYFAIR. Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent. On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per

Cent. per Annum. Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA

AUSTRALIA AND CHINA. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE :- LONDON. RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent, per annum on the Dally Balances. On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.

T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897.

Ansurances.

TORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

ESTABLISHED 1797.

The Agency of the above Society at Hengkong having this day been transferred to us we are prepared to issue Fire policies at the lowest Current Rates of premium.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, 10th December, 1897. [1-m 1829 NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

GENERAL NOTICE. THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 \$833,333-33. RESERVE FUND \$318,000,00.

(LIMITED.)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. LEE SING, Esq. LO YEUR MOON, Esq. LOU TSO SHUM, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL

A ARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken LVA at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST. Hongkong, 17th December, 1884.

ROTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISES at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,

&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world psyable ut day of its Agencies, CHAU TSEUNG FAT,

Secretary. HEAD OFFICE. No. 2. QUEEN'S ROAD WEST. Hongbong, with May, 1894.

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

. FOR LONDON Malacca H. E. Kitcat, R.N.R..... About 7th Jan..... Freight or Passage. [Freightor Passage. JAPAN, &c.ShanghafE. P. BishopAbout 8th Jan. ... SHANGHAL Freight or Passage. JAPAN, &c........RoMilaS. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R. About 9th Jan. SHANGHAL. LONDON &c. ... ThamesE. R. Dowell, R.N.R. ... Noon, 13th Jan.... See Special Advertisement,

For Further Particulars apply to

Hongkong, 30th December, 1807.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent,

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Hone Name:

YUEN WO.

TELEPHONE, No. 135.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1807.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1807.

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Yokohams, isi[Ociober, 1897.

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Agents. 🗀

15, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, 16th December, 1897.

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A SPLENDID SELECTION OF JUVENILE AND OTHER BOOKS FOR CHRISTMAS

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1897.

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Canton, 27th December, 1897.

Custom House,

Hongkong, 21rd December, 1897,

clo Hongkong Telegraph Office.

WANTED.

To-day's Advertisements.

IMPERIAL KWANGTUNG LOAN OF 1894.

PAYMENT OF INTEREST AND PART

PRINCIPAL. (FIFTH PERIOD.)

TOTICE is hereby given that the Warrants for Interest on, and re-payment of Part Principal of the Bonds of the IMPERIAL KWANGTUNG LOAN OF 1894 will be ready for leaus on the 3rd January, 1898, (the due date, and January, being SUNDAY) at the OFFICE of the Imperial Maritime Customs, Canton.

E. B. DREW. Commissioner of Customs. Custom House. Canton, 30th December, 1897.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 579.

T is hereby notified that the Hongkong Volunteers will FIRE from Machine Guns and 7-pounder Guns from the land in the Bay East of Deep Water Bay on 1st January, 1898, on a land range, if no traffic interferes. Picquets will, be posted to ensure safety land range.

By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART. Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 20th December, 1807 CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAL THE Company's Steamship

"FOOCHOW," Captain Blackbourne, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 1st January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 30th December. 1807 CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY.

LIMITED. FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship "CHANGSHA" Captain Williams, will be despatched as above

on SUNDAY, the and January, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, 30th December, 1807.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

HE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR." Captain K. H. Sundberg, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 4th January, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Arenta.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM. SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

" MENMUIR," Captain McArthur, [will be despatched for the above Posts on TUESDAY, the 4th January,

at 4 P.M. This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. This Steamer is installed throughout with the

Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION

COMPANY and wice versa." For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1807.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Steamship

"THAMES." Captain E. R. Dowell, R.N.R. carrying Her

Majesty's Mails, will be despaiched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 14th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. All Cargo for France and London will b transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceed-

ing direct to Marseilles and London. Parcels will be received at this Office until . P.M. the day before salling. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to no

the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading. For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. KITCHIR, Superintendent,

Hongkong, 30th December, 1897.

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Manager Houghour, 1st March, 1897.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

S. WATSON & CO., LD THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, 8th December, 1297.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1897

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE BRITISH CHINA SQUADRON.

LONDON, December 28th. The Admiralty believes that the China Squadron is in the vicinity of Port Hamilton. The

assembly at Chemulpo is discredited. RUSSIA AND KOREA.

The United States mail brings the text of Russo-Kerean Agreement whereby M. Alexleft has replaced Mr. McLeavy Brown, thus secur ing the financial control of Korea for an indefinite term.

> WAR NEWS. WAUR THAN EVER.

WE have a special telegram, not from our own correspondent, that the Chinese Fiest has captured Viadivostock and is sailing across

country to St. Petersburg. We don't believe it. LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.18 per &: THE felonious laying of hands on a tin of Milkmaid milk at No. z Godown, Kowloop, to-day cost a coolle six weeks bard labour, .

H.M.S. Mohama takes the place of the Rapid improved their position and sales have been on the Adstrallan Station. She was daily ex-

ended Dec. 18th show the death rate to be 18.7 per 1000 and for the following week 17'7 per

H.M.S. Powerful arrived at Singapore yesterday and was the leave on the same day. If she did taining names of 20,000 Families advartised for, so she my be expected here on or about Tuesday morning.

NOTICE has been issued by Mr. A. Denison, Hon, Secretary of the Royal Hongkong Vacht Club, that the Club Race No. 5, January and, [1684 | 1896, is postponed to January 9th,

out the colony's revenue in good style. Five owners of "illicit" to-day were ordered by Mr. Wodehouse to contribute \$10 sach.

By the French mail steamer on Tuesday, Capt. Little, of the sist Purjab Infantry, who has been. appointed second in command of the Hongkong Regiment, vice Major Retallick, arrives in Hongkong.

THE "At Home " at the Officers' Mess, Hongkong Regiment, to have been held on Friday the 31st instant, has been postponed until Fr day, the 7th January, owing to unavoidable circumsiances.

AT the Sanitary Board's meeting to-day a return was submitted showing that from Nov. 17th to Dec. 1st there had been 213 cases of plague at Bombay and 148 deaths from the disease during the same period.

INSPECTOR Hanson had a trio of offenders at the Magistracy to-day for having urjust weights in their possession. Two of the delinquents Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and | were fined \$ to and the other was ordered to pay m penalty of \$15.

> MESSES. Chi We & Co.'s new Hongkong-bullt. Canton river steamer Hallong, 409 tons, Capt Austen, left here for Canton to-night. She has with bales, packages, &c., of all sorts of stores good accommodation for both European and Chinese passengers.

THE Post Office will be closed on New Year's Day and Monday, the 3rd January, except from 8 to 9 a.m. Correspondence for Peak and Kowloon may be posted up to o a.m. The Night Box will be kept open. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed on both days.

COLONEL Chard, V.C., one of the heroes of th Zulu war was beried near Taunton last mont! in the presence of a concourse of people, include ing the officers of the Royal Engineers from Bristol, Cheltenham, Exeter, Torquay and other places. A large number of floral tributes were laid on the grave, including a wreath of bay leaves fied with satin streamers from the Queen. Attacted was the inscription, "Amark of admiration and regard for a brave soldier from his Severeign, Victoria R.I."

WHILE on her way from Kobe to Yokohama the Messageries Maritimes steamer Soghallen broke down at 6 p.m. on December 14th, after having left Kobe at 7 a.m. on the same day. She wa brought to a standstill through her connecting rod breaking, resulting in the cylinder cove piston, go-shead guide and guide shees being once it should be ordered to be decented at smashed and the bed plate was also severely dameged. The steamer, says the Japan Gazeitt, is fortunately supplied with triple expansion engines and the damage only affected the intermediate rugines. After the wreckage had been cleared away a start was made at noon the next product of the juice of the grape and are | day and the liner finished her voyage with the help of her sails. The delay nearly reached 18 hours and all'credit is due to the captain and officers in bringing her into port only 22 hours bahlad her schedule time.

RECENT exchanges show that the gales in England lately were terribly reversand attended with great dissater. The Thames rose to an pronounced by the best local connoisseurs | ment and at Woolwich the Arsenal was swamped for an area of a mile and a half length and 300 yards wide, the electric plant being submerged. Soldiers to the number of of 700 assisted in rescuing the stores and saving the powder magazines. Despite all efforts however, the works suffered severe damage. A Dover the beavy see swept through the streets of the town, whilst at Seaham, five miles from Sunderland, the seawall was destroyed. Many buildings at Margare, Ramsgate, and Chatham, and the promenide of Herne Bay also suffered destruction. Six wrecks are known to have occurred on the coust of Norfolk alone, all hands being lost in every care. Seven shippards were destroyed on the east coast and the Channel steambout services had to be suspended.

THE thirty-two mea charged with complicity in the alleged Triad Society were brought up on remand at the Magistracy to-day. Mr. H. L. Dennys (Crown Solicitor) prosecuted, Mr. Grist appeared for the defendants. Inspector Hanson in answer to Mr. Grist said he had only his own opinion to prove that the papers, &c., belonged to a Triad Society, Mr. Dennys submitted a book by Mr. Vaughan, a barrister at Singapore, to prove that the chops on the paper and in the book were identical as signifying a Triad Society. Mr. Dennys also quoted Milne on the same subject. Mr. Wodehouse thought that better evidence should bagiven and Mr. Dennys asked for a remand. O Fung Chu, chief translator at the Registrar General's Office, was called and deposed that he had not seen the chop (preduced) and did not know what it was, Instead of the date the chop mentioned the " Heaven'y circulation," It should have mentioned the Ming dynasty. After a good deal of evidence had been further led the cose was remanded till Thursday next.

notwithstanding the Christmas holidays, and effected at \$172, \$18, and \$28} and close steady. the close the rate is much firmer with buyers at enquired for at \$15, and Wanchals at \$41.

THE Oplum Ordinance still continues to help A NUMBER of pretty little toy wall simenace LEGAL ornamented in infant figures in Kate Greenaway costume, have reached us from Mr. Whiley, the Hongkoog, agent for the Speriy Flour Mills in California. Sperry is a name so well-known that It speaks for itself and the daily reminder conveyed by these calendars is as useful as it is ornamental.

A COMMISSARAT coolie was to-day charged at

the Magistracy with stealing three blankets from the R. E. quarters, Wellington Barracks. It scems that he had gone into the barracks with a Chinese supper who gave him the blankers. The charge of theft was dismissed and an officer of the R.E., who was in court, said that the military authorities would deal with the Sapper. Ownto to the "slump" in silver the United Cable Companies have increased their rates, the currency equivalent of the franc being now fixed at 40 cents (Mexican), at which rate the charges | fendant. on all international telegrams from China will

be collected from the 1st January, 1898. Full

particulars and copies of the revised tariff can,

column, be obtained from the Companies' offices. THERE is a good deal of activity at the Navy Yard at present, and to-day the place looked lika some enormous storehouse so filled was: for the fleet. For some time past "overtime has been the rule in the clerical departments and all hands, generally, have been kept busy ever since the stir in the north took place. It expected that the Grafton will leave here to-morrow to join the fleet.

A CHINAMAN who was charged with having assaulted his wife and caused her to be taken to hospital was to-day fined \$25, in default six weeks' hard, and he was also bound over to keep the peace for six months in one surety of \$50. The trouble arose " all along of a concubine" and plaintiff aske I that her recalcitrant hubby might be ordered to pay her \$5 a month for her maintenance. Mr. Wedehouse said he could not make the order but that if she were molested again she could inform the police.

Two collisions took place in the harbour yesterday, one unfortunately resulting in a life being lost. The first collision took place at 5.30 a.m., when the tug Tow ran down a fishing boat off Praya West, but did not seriously damage her. The second mishap took place off the Kowloon Whatf at 5.30 p.m. when the Ferry Co is steamer Rising Star ran down a sampan. There were seven people aboard the sampan and one,"a child aged twelve months, was drowned. It is reported that the crew of the sampan were in fault. An erquiry will be held in the latter case.

INSPECTOR Builly seems to have got on the lorg single foot of 1,81. track of the perpetrators of a rather extensive robbery at the Cosmopolitan Docks. Indian P.C. 510 to-day arrested two Chinese at Kowloon who were unable to give a satisfactory account of themselves and meanwhile news reached the Inspector of a big robbery at the Dock. Nearly Bacco would of trage fitting had been stolen but he had since recovered \$10,170 worth. When the prisoners were being paraded to-day at the Yaumail charge room one of the two burst out extraordinary height and flooded the embank- | crying and the Inspector subsquently learnt that | he was an employe at the Docks. The case was remanded till Wednesday next. THE latest addition to the P. & O. ficet, the Arabia, was launched recently from the ship build-

ing yards of Messra . Caird and Co., at Greeneck. She is one of the four 10-knot passenger ships the P. and O. Company ordered last year. The names of this quartet are the India, China. Arabla, and Beyot, and the vessels are twin screw, 8000 tons (Arabla 7020), and 11,000 horse power. They are each 500ft, long, salt, beam, and 25ft. depth of hold. The Arabia has been designed by the company's staff, and is the outcome of their experience of what is required in a ship to perform such a mail and passenger service as is carried out by the company. She Is on the Admiralty list of vessels to be used as armed croisers, having been constructed with a view to war as we'l as peace; for, in order to act as armed cruisers, for which purpose a number of the company's ships have been retained by her Majesty's Government, all this class of ships can be made ready at very short notice to render valuable aid in case of threatened attack on any of our colonial or Eastern ports. One of the special necessary features in this way is that there are no water-tight doors in the bulkheads below the water-line, except in one instance, of the engine-room bulkhead, and all the watertight bolkbeads are carried to the upper deck. As a transport, armed or unarmed, she could carry fully 2500 soldiers.

AN AUDACIOUS THEFT.

A building contractor named Lo Nam, of 14 Stanton Street, returned from the Theatre on the evening of the aret inst., and found that his concubine, who had been with him for a month, was missing. Early in the morning, on open-MESIRS Benjamin, Keily & Potts, in their ing bis feather box under his bed in his room, Westly Share Reports, dated Hongkong, Wed- he missed \$1,000 which was in the box and also nesday, 20th December, say :-A fair amount of a lew gold car pricks which were in his facket. business has been transacted during the week, The money consisted of ten \$100 bills and the ear picks were worth \$10 each. When he went rates generally show an upward tendency to the Theatre the box was locked and he had Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have the key with him, but when he missed the money he examined the lock and found that it had been forced and a report was made to the pected at Thursday Island when the last mail Indo Chinas have been placed at \$51 and more Police the same day, with the result that his shares are wanted. China Sugarshava weaken- paramour and her mother were arrested by a THE mortality returns of the colony for the week | ed alightly and a sale at \$159 is reported, but at | Chinese constable to Mongkok. The mother said that she had some of the money in a

INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir J. W. Carrington, Ki., C.M.G.)

December 30th.

D. Gubray and others v. E. R. Belilios The plaintiffs, Messrs. D. Gubbay, A. J. Raymond and A. J. David, sued on behalf of the

very of Inland Lot No. 1381 from the defendant, Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (Instructed by Mr. Thomson, of Messrs. Descon and Hastings). sppeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. H. E. Pollock (instructed by Mr. C. D. Wilkinson) for the de- the ground.

On the question of whether the Court should decree for specific performance instead of declaration of trust.

His Lordship-Do you wish to say anything as will be seen by an advertisement in another with re gard to the course of argument, Mr. Francis?

> Mr. Francis—No, my Lord. In answer to Mr. Pollock as to what his Lordship meant, he said that it was as to whether It weswithin the power of the Court to decree specific performance now assuming that it did not see its way to grant the petition as it stood Mr. Francis said that it seemed to him that that it would better be left to the end. Counsel would conclude with that point when his friend

> could reply on it. His Lordship said that he had considered the matier and had looked through the proper text books. At the present stage the Court could not make a decree of specific performance assuming that the Court would not make a decree declaring the defendant a trustee. If the other point fell through the petition should be amended and should be concluded with a prayer for

specific performance. Mr. Pollock submitted that his learned friend was not entitled to an amendment as he had not

el cted or applied for it. Mr. Francis said that he had not the least objection to ask his Lordship to permit him to amend the prayer for specific performance. There was nothing in the petition referring to this but the evidence was sufficient.

His Lordship said that alternative prayer should be added for specific performance. Mr Pollock objected to any amendment being made. This action was framed for declaration. of trust and he came to the Court with the anderstanding that the plaintiffs' case sested entirely on were a declaration of trust. If any amendment would be made in the plaintiffs! petition it would be necessary for his answer to

be given also. Mr. Francis-Not for the prayer. Mr. Pollock said that his whole case was that certain negotiations took piace between the parties and that he was perfectly correct in not referring to them In any way, as the action was brought for decliration of trust, his contention being that no declaration of trust whatever existed with regard

His Lordship - I do not think I will trouble you further on the point. I think the best course will be this: let the case proceed as it stands now, and supposing the plaintiffs support a declaration of trust, the plainliffs succeed. Suppose otherwise, and the Court will not make a decree with respect to declaration lof trust, then I will allow Mr. Francis to apply for an amendment for performance. At present I will reserve leave for Mr. Francis to apply for the amend-

Mr. Pollock saidthat, assuming that his learned friend was correct in framing this action for a declaration of trust, his contention was that the plaintiffe' care must nevertheless fall because their case was created as regards the whole of lot 1381, and it was understood that the whole of the lot should be used as a site for the Sypagegue. The defendant's case to the contrary was that so much land only was in the contemplation of the parties as was reasonably necessary for the purpose of a Synagogue and s rabbi's residence. His Lordship would find from the evidence that that was the understanding of both parties. It was quite clear from the reports of three different firms of architects that the conbined areas were more than sufficient for the purpose of the Synagogue Mr. Bellilos never interded to transfer more land than would be sufficient and he could not have expected or supposed for a single moment that the Community would take over more ground than was reasonably required, in view of difficulty in funds and the appeal to Mr. Jacob Sastoon, which was made as late as May, 1866. He submitted that the natural interpretation of the words "The trustees have settled to take over the whole of the let " in the letter from Mr. Orange to Mr. Danby, was that they had only then decided to take over the whole of the lot and therefore when the trustees wrote the letter to Mr. Belilios of 8th March, they did not have in their mind to take ever the whole of the ground He argued that the trustees could not have been very serious when Mr. Raymond said that they would not stand Mr. Baillies' nonzense, because immediately siter the meeting Mr. Raymond went to the Hongkong Club with Mr. Danby and atc-3 blm a driek.

His Lordship-There is no point in that observation ; if the drink was with Mr. Belillos it would be different (laughter).

Mr. Francis-They were so hot that they wanted to drink (laughter). Mr. Pollock-Does your Lordship agree with

His Lordship—If you could show that the plaintiffs invited the defendant to drink. Mr. Pollock, resuming his argument, said tha the defendant's resition was all along that he agreed to transfer a certain piece but the trustees would not accept it and turned round and maked for the whole of the ground. If the plaintiffs naked for a portion as was reasonably required for the building of a Synagogue then this action would never have been taken. After the March the trustees claimed that they were entitled to the whole lot. He submitted that his client had put a correct construction on the negotiations which were that the community should get what was actually sufficient for the Synagogue. If no question was raised for a retaining wail, the parties would have come to an agreement because they had actually come to a definite agreement that the piece of ground marked off should go to the Community and the remaining portion of 1381 should go to Mr. Bellios. He submitted that the Court must look into the matter as a whole

Belilios instructed Mr. Dauby we the agent or as the representative of the Jowlin Commuckly, and his application was for both lots. Why did Mr. Bellies Guse to be written to Mr. Siles that he ought further delay would be inadvisable or why should be write, to Mr. Silas' that Mr. Danby had applied for the lots if he intended the land for himself? If he was not an agent or representative of the community at all why should be communicate to Mr. Silas what he had done? Mr. Bellios had voluntarily put himself as an agentand the letter from Mr. Mores to Mr. Sllas . saying that Mr. Belillos would hand over the ground within a reasonable time upon reimbursement of costs, etc., was not a letter that would have been written by a person offering ground for sale. He submitted that Mr. Belilles Jewish Community of Hongkong for the recoapplied for and purchased the ground as a trustee or as a representative of the Jewish Community, Mr. Belilios had not divested himself from the position of trustee which he had assumed in 1801. and if his Lordship found this he would be bound to deciare Mr. Belillos a trustee with regard to

After further argument by Counsel the Court adjourned till 10.30 a.m. to-morrow. Mr. Francis said he would probably finish before

TICHBORNE AGAIN!

It was with relief that people saw the end of

ANGTHER "CLAIMANT" IN THE FIELD

the famous Tichboxne trial some score or more of years ago, and now, from Australia, comes news that indicates we have not yet seen the last of the cause celebre of the century. For many years past there has been, among the lumates of the Parramatta Lunatic Asylum, outside Sydney, a man named William Creawell, whom many people have all along believed to be the " real Sir Roger." After much bothering of the Government, the participus of Creswello have succeeded in getting an order from the Chief Judge in Equity for two doctors to examine Creawell's marky, &c. and report to the Master in Lunacy. When the mail left the doctors had made their report but it was treated as confidenisl. One of the Creawell party, however, said he understood the report was not favourable to their claim. People in England are also moving in the matter and some of the Australian supporfers are sparing neither time nor money in the work. Mr. Priestman, a Sydney commercial man, who is an act've mover in the case, said he did not think the doctors' report would be unfavourable. " Drs. Finschi and M' crmick," he said to a News reporter, " acknowledge that Creswell resembled Tichborne in so far as the twitching of the bushy eyebrows was concerned. He had a similar fist, ample forehead-not particularly flat, the doctors said—the large scar on the back of the left wilst, but not the tattoo mark, which I have the affidavita of five persons who have seen the mark to prove that Creswell really has it. The scar on Creswell's wrist Is said to have been caused by a fail sgalost a meat hook. The doctors say there is no abnormal lump on the instep, which the real Sir Reger is said to have had, but they did not say that there is no lump at all. They deny certain marks which I have sworn to, especially the cut on the temple artery. and also the mask of issue on the left arm, They acknowledge that he has marked blue eyes large, but not particularly penalve, while I stated that he had large greyish-blue eyes. They denied the cuts on both ankles, the arms where Sir Roger had been bled, also the limp in his walk, which I saw and have sworn to seeing it, They admit that Creswell has odd ears, but they deny that they are in accordance with Tichborne's ears, as described by Lord Chief Justice Cockburg in his summing up in the great Tichborne claimant's case. They dany the mark caused by a fishbook on Tichborne's right eyelid, which occurred on board the Paulina in 1853, while he was on the voyage from Liverpool to Valparaiso, and which I distinctly saw on

Creswell, and can awear to."

When interrogated as to what he intended

doing in the face of the adverse report, Mr.

Priestman said he had about a dozen very strong

affidavits, and the report would not discourage

him. "I have three or four persons prepared to awear that they have seen the tation mark on Creawell's left wrist, yet the doctors say there is cone. If I had not seen the mark I have mentioned I would be discouraged myself, but knowing them to be on Creswell, I am perfectly satisfied. Matters do certainly look gloomy, but these corts of cases are never won without a hard fight. The inmale of the asylum says that his name is William Creswell, and that he came here in the Maid of Judah, in 1854. If this lunatic's real name is Creswell, why did the brothere of the claimant Octon come out to Sydney to try and get hold of him for the purpose of taking him to England as Arthur Orion? If he is William Creswell, what had he to do with the Ostons? The fact of the matter is this, if they Ortons) had been allowed to take Creswell to Englard at that time the claimant, I believe, would have owned up that he was Arthur Octob. and assisted in placing the rightful heir in possession of the estates. When I visited Creswell in the asylum, a Mrs. Jenking and I remained chaiting with him for about an hour and a haif a couple of warders being close by. I addressed him as " my friend," but Mrs. Jenkins called him Roger, and he offered no objections to her doing so. When she told him that I was his irland, he saked me if that were so, and when I assured him that I would be his friend, he took my hand and pressed it warmly. Mrs. Jenkins advised him to own to his proper name, but, after looking at the warders, he placed one of his fingers on his lips and was silent. He admitted having estates in Hampshire and-he was going to name another county, when his eyes chanced to fall on the warders, and he was damb once more." Asked how many times he had visited Creswell, Mr. Priestman answered, "Oaly once, they would not let me see him again. When I was leaving be asked, may, pressed me to go and see him again; but I have not been allowed. During the whole of the time Mrs. Jenkins and I were with him he was perfectly same, and talked quite rationally. I think he has made a vow to himself never to disclose his identity, at least while he remains in Australia. Even before he became insace he misled people us to who he really is. In the asylum he seems to be afraid of something or somebody, but I think if he were once taken away he would reveal his laus name, and that would be found to be Tich borne. When a youthtichborne was always full of mystery, and delighted in boodwinking people, and Creswell is the same. As to Creswells memory. I may state that one of my witnesses, named Frank Develin. visited the asylum in 1884. Creawell had not seen him for twenty-one years. Yet, as soon as he entered, he recognised him immediately, and called him by name, and the occupation he ollowed.

One of the doctors who examined Creswell

When the mail left no further Tevelopments.

and see wha! was the sciusl intention. Countel a point higher. Luxons are obtainable at \$37. house in Sau-ki-wan and on being taken there quoted a judgment of Lord Selbourne on the Punjoms have been done at \$5.85 and are she handed to the Police eight \$100 notes. On intentions of parties. wanted. Charbonnages have been placed at the concubine bring searched at the charge-Mr. Francis commenced summing up at 2.40 p.m. He contended that the reports of Mesers. \$110. Raubs are much firmer and up to \$22 room \$140, the ear-picks and a silver watch. Danby, Leigh and Orange and Mr. Lemm all has been paid, and more shares can be placed. were found in her possession. Both the women went to show that the site for the Synagogue all Olivers A are obtainable at \$10, while B's are I were brought before the Magistrate to-day, Mr. through were lots 1216 and 1217. One of these enquired for at \$72. Great Easterns have Grist appearing for the complainant. They by itself would not be sufficient for the Synagogue and they recommended the trustees to changed hands at \$2.00 and \$3. Hongkong | admitted the offence and were sentenced to six describes him as being "a fine-looking old fellow, in splendid health and over 60 years of purchase both which was advisable because and Whampon Docks are wanted at 221 per months' imprisonment each the money, earthey could sell the surplus ground with the sec. cent premium. Kowloon Wharl shares are still picks and watch being returned to the comadvantage that they could fix the conditions on which it could be used. He submitted that Mr. I had been reported;

AN INTERNATIONAL SWINDLE.

A NIW PHASE OF THE "CONVIDENCE TRICK."

The last Australian mail biligs news of a very novel sort of "confidence game" being played on the worthy people of New South heidquarters at Valencia, in Spain. An Albury resident was not a little susprised, says the Evening News, to receive a letter bearing a of the colonists's had died in Spain, leaving a fortune, and a small draft was required to pay legal expenses, etc. The Albury man was not to be caught, however. A couple of Sydney residents have also tern favored with correspondence of a similar kind. One was foolish enough to send a sum of £362, and later, relying implicitly on the story told by his noknown correspondent, he forwarded a second draft for over £400. Payment of the latter was, however, stopped. Mr. W. F. Jewell, Sydney Rope Works, North Bo'any, is another who was written to. In a letter from Valencis, and dated October 17th, the writer, who signed himself Rafael Diaz, stated that his wife was related to Mr. Jewell, but she died recently, leaving one daughter. Diax states be took part in the Cuban rebellion, and returning to Spain, was selved, and thrown into a fortress; but he managed to save a sum of £35 000 in cash out of the wreck of his fortune. His health is bad, and he is aware that his earthly career must scon close. By the connivance of the chaptain of the prison he is enabled to write. The next letter comes to Mr Jewell from the chaplain, informing him of the death of Dist, and that he has been appointed executor and guardian of the girl. Copies of the will in Spanish and English were also sent. But there are certain law costs to be paid, and a draft payable in London is asked for, whereupon everything being put in order, the chaplan intimates that he and the girl will start for Australia. A letter from the girl also came to hand. It is in English, and enclosed a photo, of a dirk-eyed beauty of about 17 summeis, who implores her "dear uncle's protection," and signs berreli's his most affectionate niece. Cicely Diaz Jewell."

As Mr. Jewell had no relatives in Spain, he became suspicious, and the matter was reported to the police. The letters are written in a cramped hand; one or two would appear to have been turned into English from the Spanish by the aid of a dictionary, but in others there is a smack of Cookey idiom there is no denying. Should "Cicely" die before coming of age, the chaplain and Mr. Tewell share her fortune according to the will. It would appear that quite a number of Sydney residents have had rich relatives dying in Spain lately.

Exchanges of later dates state that similar letters were received by gentlemen living in Parramaits, Carcoar, Bathurst, and Parkes. Though they vary somewhat in detail, there is a very strong family sesemblance between them, Disz, the rich father or uncle, and the dark. eyed niece are ever present, as is also the dungeon cell, and, of course, the fortune. The bland request for the necessary craft accompanies all episies, and the " reverend chapiain " plays his part in each one. But the Cuban story is not so religiously adhered to. The gentleman who so promptly replied with a bank draft for £662, and who may now consider himself permanently poorer by that amount, received the first letter some time ago. In it the writer, asked no monetary favour. He said, however, that he, a nobleman of Spain, was dying in a fortress at Madild. His imprisonment was caused through his intimate friendship with the late King of Spain, which had made him many jealous enemier. For a time to fled to England, where he secreted his fortube and married an English lidy, but returning privately and in disguise to Spain, he was recognized, charged with a trivial offence, and committed to gaol indefinitely by political exemics. His young wife died soon afterwards, but during their mariled life had often apoken of "you, her mother's dear relations in Australia." What he now wanted was that his dear niece, Cicely, whom falling health must scon force him to leave, might receive the quardinaship of her antipodean relations. The fortune which would result from his death would be ample to give her the posttion of a wealthy woman, and he strongly desired that alle might be far removed from the unhappy land in which her young dayshad been so clouded by trouble and corrow. Other letters followed, then one from the chaptain announcing the unhappy man's death, and forwarding the copies of the will. In his document the "fortune " was set down at something equivalent to £35,000, of which two thirds were for Cicely, and the residue for her future kind and devoted guardian. The next letters contained similar demands and proposals to those addicised to Mr. Jewell, "If, however," one of the letters states, "you cannot get so much money, or have not the confidence, there is here a man related to Diss whom the will requests to lend it for that purpose, but in that event he shares with you your legrey, according as to the amount paid by each of you."

"I share with robody," probably thought the rec'plent, as he immediately forwarded the preliminary draft, and soon afterwards another for £400. The latter was stopped by cable at Naples, where the Spanish Consul was communicated with.

The methods surgeried and adopted by the swindlers to aid the Sydney man in forwarding the money were simplicity itself. In order that the remission might be carried out as cheaply as possible to him, he was instructed when the letters, according to the subjoined convention, money was forwarded to cable merely one word -"Ready." A few days afterwardshe seceived a cable of acknowledgement-equally laconic in its text. It contained the one word "Touched." To the trusting Sydney man this may have found explanation in the fact that the "reverend gentleman" who received the money had searched his Erglish-Spanish dictionary for w word explanatory of arrival or contract. To outsiders the word signifies a depth of humor not Spanish, but very, very Anglo-Saxon.

That the letters are the work of some clever gang of the " confidence " variety, world-wide in threstened with a gale as follows :its prinations, is now costain. In March last London Truth devoted an extensive artic'e to the exposure of this very fraud, by meins of which thousands of people in the Furopean countries and on the continent of America had v. been victimited. Cipe Colony next, received a D. turn, Australia having been left last of all. It is Q. probable that the other Australian colonies have been hundated with similar correspondence. K. Each intended victim, who is probably selected by a special emissity or advance agent, is wrequested to keep the subject matter of the letter m profound secret, "that in the fotore Cicely's | N carly history may not be too well-known to her friends, who may sneer at her uncle having died in prison." Thus the plan was less likely to look out. But the banks become suspicious at the large number of drafts which customers wanted of Vsiencia. Bank managers asked their clients' for explanations, and prevalence of death from imprisonment and broken heart among rich Spanish relatives of Australian colonisis was seen to reach alarming proportion. During the past couple of months no less than £1212 has been forwarded in this way through the Com.

The Spapish Consul at Sydney Mr. F. B. Froebill (an Irishman) is of opinion that there is me Spanish hand in the meatter at all.

been stopped by cable.

TYPHOON AND STORM WARNING SERVICE ON THE COAST OF CHINA.

We are indebted to the Rev. P. Louis Froc, S. J., Director of the Sicawel Meteorological Wales and the operators appear to have their Observatory (sear Shanghai), for a copy of a new code of signals for the valuable service of storm warnings conducted by the worthy Fathers at Spaulah postmark, which set out that a relative | Shanghai and Cheloo. The new code will come loto effect on New Year's Day. For the benefit of shipmasters we reproduce the code in full.

> Nota.-The flags used for signalling the Chinese-7th of 12th moon of 23rd year of warnings of this code will be; those of the International Code for the letters, and those of Marryat's Code for the numbers.

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China. the estuary of the Yangtseklang, the Chusens, &c., the Formosa Channel. the neighoushood of the Loochoos; the S. coasts of China and the China Sea. Kinsin and the S.W. coasts of the Sea of Japan (Koren and the W. coxsts of Japan). the coasts S. of Newchwang and the Gulf of Pechili. the coasts of Japan bordering the Pacific Ocean.

REMARKS.

Telegraph Companies, will be reproduced by the same numbers at the semaphores of the posts receiving the warnings. The letters and figures strengtheolog. It will ease at once the most used are those of the International Code

mercial Bank of Sydney alone, Ol this £850 has Signals, and of Marryat's Code respectively. 2.—The letter V added to a typhoon signal means that the centre is in the immediate vicihily of the place indicated by the code,

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

DECEMBER. Meteorological means based on ten years'

observations to 1893. Thermometer62 5 Humidity65.0 Rainfall..... 1.21

Thursday, 30th December, 1897. Kwone-su.

Jewish-51h Tabet, 5688. Mohammedan-5th Shaaban, 1315. Sun-Riss 6kr. 57mfm. Sets Shr. Simin. High water-Working Ohr. 19min. Afternoon 2hr. 50min. Low water-Morning 7hr, 55min. Afternoon 7hr, 87min.

ANNIVERSARIES. 1852-Pegu annexed. 1854 - All slaves of the Portuguese Crown declared free. 1874-Prince Alionso proclaimed King of Spain. 1880-Grand Naval review at Tsim-tsat-sul.

1895—Dr. Rizal shot at Manila for conspiracy

in the rebellion. TO-MORROW. Filday, 31st December, 1897. (St. Slivester.)

Chinese-81h of 121h moon of 23rd year of Kruone-sil. (Great Buddhistic Festival.) lewish-6th Tebet, 5658. Mohammedin-81k Skaaban, 1315. Sun-Rises 6hr. 57min.

Seis 5hr. 21min. Moon-First Quarter Shr. Smin. a.m. High water-Morning 1kr. 47min. Afternoon 3hr. 39min. Low water-Morning 8hr. 30min. Afternoon 9hr. 58min. ANNIVERSARIES.

1862-The Hongkong Town Clock first started tousher in 1863.

MEMORANDA.

To-MORROW, -31st December. Noon-Meeting of shareholders of the H.K. High Level Tramway Co.

SATURDAY, -- 1st January. New Year's Day. All Banks, Insurance, and Government offices closed. Volunteer gun practice at the bay east of Deep Water Bay during the day. New rules for the examination of mates and

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

engineers come into force.

MAILS DUE: Indian (Chelydra) 1st prox. French (Yorra) 3rd prox. American (Goelic) 3rd prox. Australian (Australian) 6th prox. American (City of Peking) 15th prox.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.) Inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer Victoria anived at Tacoma, from Hongkong and Japan, on the 28th int.

THE Canadian Pacific Rallway Co.'s steamer Empress of Japan, arrived at Kobe at 10.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 28th inst., and left at 10.30 a.m. yesterday for Yekoham . where she was expected to arrive at 10.30 a.m. to-day, the 30th inst.

SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 2 p.m. to-day. ARRIVALS.

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HOMEWARD-7th December - Caledonfen. 14th December-Gisela, Shanghal, Sunda. aret December-St. Nintan. 24th December -Wally. 28th December-Bayers.

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The General Managers, Messis, John D. Humphreys & Son, have received the following report from their mining manager by S. S. Change

> Mount Macdonald, 3rd December, 1897.

I have the honour to report work done during week ending 3rd December, as follows :--Eureka Mine Main shait sunk 34 fcot. Total below 200 ft, level 95%. Country hard and difficult to break. After sinking an additional tol feet will open out for the 300 ft, level.

Have started several men to break ore in stopes above the 200 and 150 ft. levels, and are engaged hauling ore eight hours per day from these levels. Driving on the lose north and south will be reaumed shortly. Expect to have full complement of men working underground next week.

G. Z. 105-Reef in bottom of underlie shaft improving, but owing to the excessively hot weather experienced la'ely have been troubled with foul air. Steps will be taken to remedy this at once.

Olivers Battery-The new spur wheel to replace the broken one arrived late on Saturday. 27th ultimo, and was put in position as soon as possible, and other portions of works that had to be removed in order to get the broken wheel off, and the new one on, were replaced, and crushing was resumed at 12 o'clock on Sunday night, and we are now crushing at the rate of about 200 tons per week.

something that is impossible to foresee occurs we ought to have a long and successful run. The General Managers have also received the

following telegrem: -"A crushing of 400 tons of quartz from Eureka bas yielded } an ounce to the ton. Shaft has reached a depth of 300

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

The General Managers, Mesirs. John D. Humphreys and Son, have received the following report from their mining manager by the steamer Changsha:-

> Mount Macdonald. 3rd December, 1897.

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Nothing fresh slace last report, but have every confidence that with the opening up of the Queen Mine at the depth anticipated, vis, 350 feet, a prosperous future will result.

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THE Company is being formed to acquire as a going concern the business of Tea Planters and Ten Merchants heretofore carried on by the Association called "The Foothew Tea:Improvement Company" at Forchow and

Pehling in the Fohklen Province of China. Recent experiments in the manufacture of 'ea carried out by the Association at Pobling with the aid of Machinery have been attended with much success, insamuch as teas of greatly improved character and quality have been produced, and it is therefore considered that the time has new arrived when capital on a larger scale can be successfully employed in various parts of the Fohklen Province. In this connection, it should be stated that the Chinese Government Officials have shown themselves favourably disposed towards the Company, and have expressed their intention to protect and

assist it in every way. The properly to be acquired from the Asso-Thoroughly reliable preservative for Word ciation in consideration of the allotment of the and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus | 500 fully paid up shares comprises the good will of the business and all its Trade Marks and Chops, the Association's lands in the Fobklen Province of China with a Factory, house for the Chinese Manager, office, and coolle quarters; also [33] a new "Venelian" firing machine, and three new rolling tables, and a stiling machine, the whole being worked by a water wheel 12 feet in diameter and a feet broad; also I Campbell's Oil Engine, to horse-power; one Davidson's Sirocco, Iwo Blackman's Fans, and one Davidson's Cutter: also 4,400 Withering Trays and Stands, and Scales and requisite godown appliances also a cash balanco at the credit of the Association amounting to \$1,795.16. The land will be vested in two Chinese shareholders as Trustees

[457 for the Company. The Chinese growers in the vicinity of the Factory have slways been willing sollers of green leaf, of which an ample supply is at all times available for manufacture.

As regards the prospects of the financial success of the Company, the Directors would pur-Sole Agents in the East for the smalgamated. Ifcularly draw attention to the advantage China CLEMENT, HUMBER and GLADIATOR Co., Ld., now has over India and Ceylon in cheap allver. This, fully compensates for the taxation which China tea has at present to boar. The chespness of land, the low scale of wages, and the excellent quality of Chinese labour are likewise facts which cannot be overlooked.

The Machinery has been erected by and is in charge of a resident English Engineer, who is the Company's Property Manager, and has for some years been in charge of a tea factory in India The Chinese Manager was recently sent to Ceylon by the Association, where he had practical experience in tea making,

It is proposed to take over the business as a going concern as from the 10th July, 1807. and to enlarge the existing factory at Pakking. and establish other factories in suitable districts. The Contracts affecting the Company consist of an agreement dated the 19th day of October, Unmounted Preclous Stones of every descrip. 1897, made between the members of the Associalion of the one part and Gustav Theodor Siemisen, Esq., for and on behalf of the Company of the other part, being the agreement for the purchase of the properties, business, and premises to be taken over from the Association. A copy of this contract can be seen at any [1842 branch of the Hongkong and Shaughai Banking Corporation or on application to the Becre-

tary or the Company's Solicitors. There are other arrangements and contracts in existence, the benefits and obligations of which are to be taken over by the Company, such as an agreement to pay the Chinere Manager a bonus of 5 per cent, on the Company's net profits for the first year; contracts engaging clerks, servants, and employes, and other contracts. If such arrangements and contracts come within Section 137 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1877 of the Legislature of Hongkong, all applicants for shares shall be deemed to have waived the insertion of the dates and names of the parties to any such arrangements or contracts and to accept the above statements as a sufficient compliance with that section, and applications for shares will only be accepted subject to this provision.

Applications for shares should be forwarded, ogether with the amount payable on application, to the Hougkong and Stanghal Banking Corporation, Hongkong, or to either of its Branches in the East, or to its Branches at London, Lyons, Hamburg, New York, or San Francisco, or to its agents at Sydney or Melbourne, on or before the 31st day of December, 2897. If no allotment is made the deposit will be returned without deduction and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, the surplus will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on allotment.

Forms of application for Shares can be obtained from the Company's Secretary or Bankers, It is intended to register the Company at ence and copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company may be inspected on application to the Secretary of

Hangleong, seth October, 1847.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"THAMES," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

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This vessel brings on Cargo :--From London, &c., ex S.S. Himalaya. From Zanzibar, ex S.S. Paina. From Australia, ex S.S. Victoria. Frem Taticorin ex 3.S. Aska.

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P.M. TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 2nd January at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which

so Claims will be recognised. H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong 27th December, 1807. [J-w t

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"CEYLON," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MACTA.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

STEAMSHIP "MOGUL," FROM PORTLAND, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI. THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to

send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 27th December, 1807.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES,

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR." having arrived from the above Ports, Consignoes

of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. on board after 4 P.M. of the 29th instant will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Whari and Godown Co., Limited, at Wanchai. Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel

Agents. Frongkong, 28th December, 1807 PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

NOTICE.

ONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO," The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1807.

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, II	HIROSHIMA MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	{THURSDAY, 20th January
,	YAMAGUCHI MARU	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	TUESDAY, 25th January, 25th January
	YAMASHIRO MARU	THURSUAY ISLAND, TOWNS-	FRIDAY, 28th Januar

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FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA," Captain Williams, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 318 instant, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, 28th December, 1807.

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FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship

"MYRMIDON," Captain Rorison, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 4th January.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 23rd December, 1897. / [1861

FOR NEW YORK, YIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Steamship

"YARROWDALE." Captain G. Geddes, will be despatched a above on or about the 5th January, 1898. To be followed by the

S.S. "HANSEAT" on or about 31st Jan., 1898 S.S."LYDERHORN"oner about 15th Feb., 1798 S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 18th Feb., 1898. For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Hongkong, 20th December, 1807. MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE. FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE," to sail about the 15th January, 1898. S.S. "ARGYLL," about 5th Feb., 1898. 8.S. " GHAZEE." about 10th Feb., 1898. S.S. "LENNOX," about 10th March, 1894. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Hongkong, 27th December, 1897. (19"

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NOTICE

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Extra Steamship "DARMSTADT"

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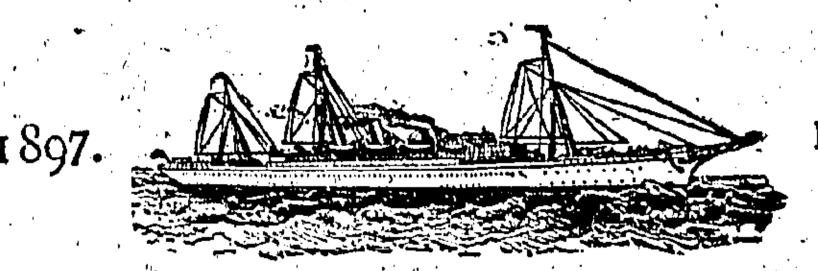
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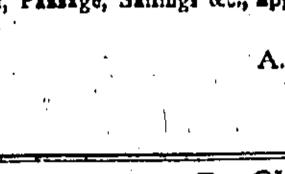
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